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CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION

NUMBER: CO-120-2008-38 CX

PROJECT NAME: Young's Driveways

<u>LEGAL DESCRIPTION:</u> T. 2S., R. 82S., Section 4: Lot 22 (Eagle County)

T. 2N., R. 80W., Section 22: SE¹/₄NE¹/₄, SE¹/₄SE¹/₄ (Grand County)

APPLICANT: William Glass, Kenneth Young, and Cecilia Young

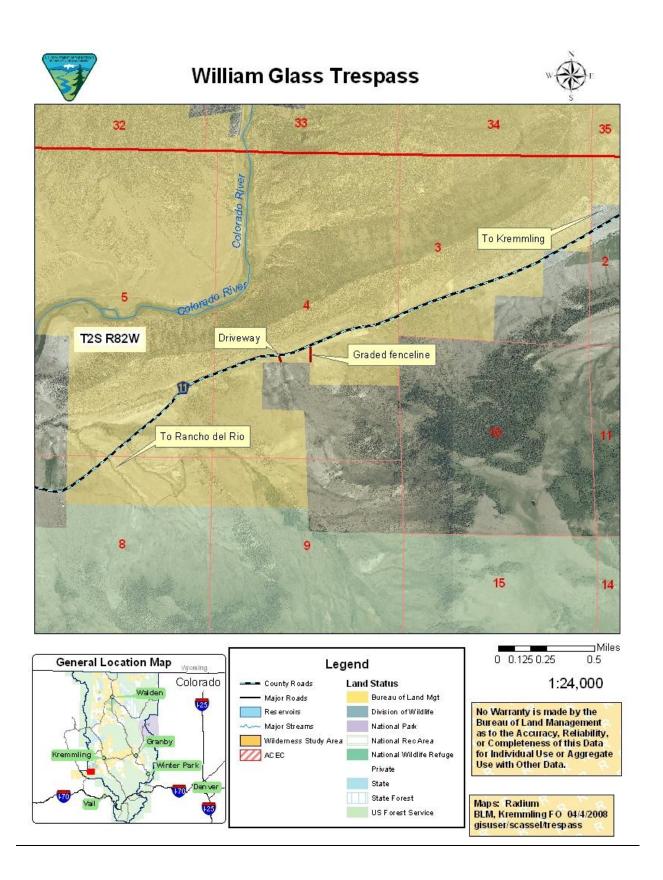
<u>DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED ACTION:</u> Three existing driveways have been found to be in trespass. Authorizing the driveways through a 30 year renewable right-of-way would resolve the trespass cases.

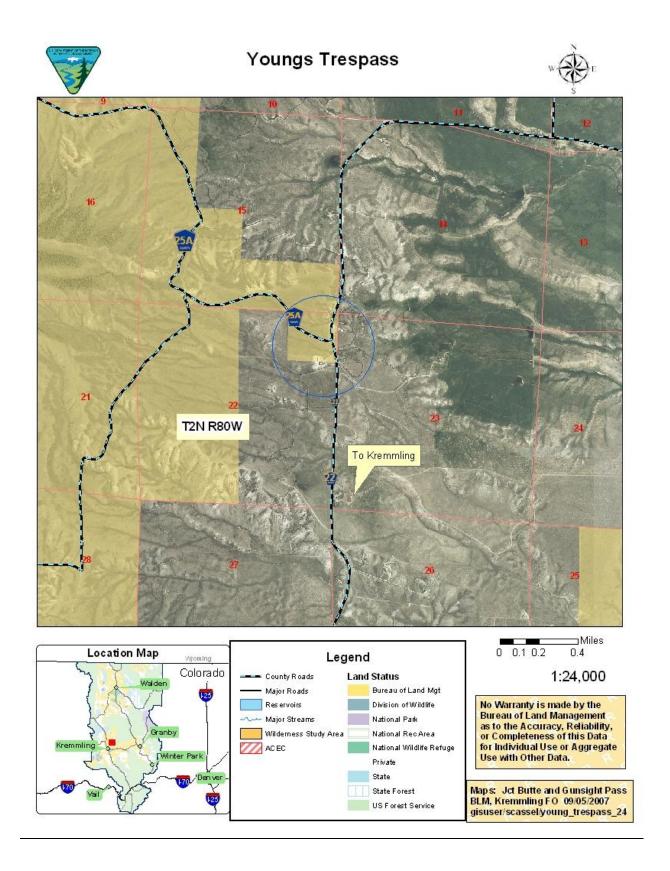
William Glass's driveway is 165.82 feet in length and 18 feet wide encompassing .061 acres of public land. The driveway is off of Eagle County Road 11. This driveway accesses Mr. Glass's house. The trespass ground clearance for a fence (as shown on the map) would be revegetated this summer.

Cecilia Young's driveway is 228.33 feet in length and 16 feet wide encompassing .084 acres of public land. The driveway is off of Grand County Road 22. This driveway accesses Ms. Young's trailer.

Kenneth Young's driveway is 407.11 feet in length and 20 feet wide encompassing .187 acres of public land. The driveway is off of Grand County Road 22. This driveway accesses Mr. Young's house. A permit application has been received to resolve the trespass of the pasture and buildings (as shown on the map).

All the driveways are existing and no additional work is planned, except snowplowing when needed.





<u>PLAN CONFORMANCE REVIEW</u>: The Proposed Action is subject to and has been reviewed for conformance with the following plan (43 CFR 1610.5, BLM 1617.3):

Name of Plan: Kremmling Resource Management Plan (RMP), Record of Decision (ROD)

<u>Date Approved</u>: December 19, 1984; Updated February 1999

Decision Number/Page: II-B-12 pg.14

<u>Decision Language</u>: Decision Language: Provide the opportunity to utilize public lands for development of facilities which benefit the public, while considering environmental and agency concerns.

<u>CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION REVIEW</u>: The Proposed Action qualifies as a categorical exclusion under 516 DM 11, Number: (E) (17), "Grant of a short right-of-way for utility service or terminal access road to an individual residence, outbuilding or water well". None of the following extraordinary circumstances in 516 DM 2, Appendix 2, apply.

Extraordinary Circumstances	Yes	No
2.1 Have significant impacts on public health or safety		X
2.2 Have significant impacts on such natural resources and unique		X
geographic characteristics as historic or cultural resources; park,		
recreation or refuge lands; wilderness areas; wild or scenic rivers;		
national natural landmarks; sole or principal drinking water aquifers;		
prime farmlands; wetlands (Executive Order 11990); floodplains		
(Executive Order 11988); national monuments; migratory birds; and		
other ecologically significant or critical areas.		
2.3 Have highly controversial environmental effects or involve		X
unresolved conflicts concerning alternative uses of available resources		
[NEPA section 102(2)(E)].		
2.4 Have highly uncertain and potentially significant environmental		X
effects or involve unique or unknown environmental risks.		
2.5 Establish a precedent for future action or represent a decision in		X
principle about future actions with potentially significant environmental		
effects.		
2.6 Have a direct relationship to other actions with individually		X
insignificant but cumulatively significant environmental effects.		
2.7 Have significant impacts on properties listed, or eligible for		X
listing, on the National Register of historic Places as determined by		
either the bureau or office.		
2.8 Have significant impacts on species listed, or proposed to be		X
listed, on the List of Endangered or Threatened Species, or have		
significant impacts on designated Critical Habitat for these species.		

2.9 Violate a Federal Law, or a State, local, or tribal law or	X		
requirement imposed for the protection of the environment.			
2.10 Have a disproportionately high and adverse effect on low income	X		
or minority populations (Executive Order 12898).			
2.11 Limit access to and ceremonial use of Indian sacred sites on	X		
Federal lands by Indian religious practitioners or significantly			
adversely affect the physical integrity of such sacred sites (Executive			
Order 13007).			
2.12 Contribute to the introduction, continued existence, or spread of	X		
noxious weeds or non-native invasive species known to occur in the			
area or actions that may promote the introduction, growth, or expansion			
of the range of such species (Federal Noxious Weed Control Act and			
Executive Order 13112).			

INTERDISCIPLINARY REVIEW:

Name	Title	Area of	Date Review
		Responsibility	Completed
Susan Cassel	Realty Specialist	Lands	10/16/08
Joe Stout	Planning and	NEPA	10/17/2008
	Environmental	Review/Compliance	
	Coordinator		
Paula Belcher	Hydrologist	Soil, Air Water	6/26/08
Megan McGuire	Wildlife Biologist	T&E	6/19/08
Bill Wyatt	Archaeologist	Cultural	10/7/2008
Frank G. Rupp	Archaeologist	Paleontology	10/16/2008
Richard Johnson	Rangeland	Invasive, Non-	
	Management	native	6/11/08
	Specialist	Species, Vegetation	

REMARKS:

Cultural Resources: A cultural resource inventory was conducted on the William Glass Trespass (CR-08-31) and located one site 5EA2683, and was found adjacent to the trespass. Testing within the bladed fence line revealed no new cultural manifestation or artifacts. Cultural inventory Report (CR-09-001) for the Young trespass driveway's resulted in no new cultural resource sites being located. The trespasses are a no effect, there are no historic properties affected.

Native American Religious Concerns: No consultation was conducted because of the nature of the trespasses.

Threatened and Endangered Species: There would be no impact to threatened, endangered, or sensitive species.

A paleontological inventory was completed for each trespass driveway because geologic mapping indicated the potential for discovery of fossils (Troublesome and Pierre Shale formations). No fossils were discovered.

<u>COMPLIANCE PLAN</u>: The right-of-way would be inspected and monitored periodically to ensure compliance with the terms and conditions of the grant. The right-of-way would also be inspected after any maintenance activities to determine compliance with and effectiveness of reclamation measures.

NAME OF PREPARER: Susan Cassel

NAME OF ENVIRONMENTAL COORDINATOR: Joe Stout

DATE: 10/17/2008

ATTACHMENTS: ROW Stipulations

<u>DECISION AND RATIONALE</u>: I have reviewed this CER and have decided to implement the proposed action.

This action is listed in the Department Manual as an action that may be categorically excluded. I have evaluated the action relative to the 12 criteria listed above and have determined that it does not represent an extraordinary circumstance and is, therefore, categorically excluded from further environmental analysis.

SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED OFFICIAL: Peter McFadden

DATE SIGNED: 10/20/2008

October 16, 2008 EXHIBIT B

STIPULATIONS FOR COC-72930, COC-72932 & COC-72033 Driveways

- 1. The holder shall contact the authorized officer at least 5 (five) days prior to the anticipated start of any major reconstruction/repair that may be needed. The authorized officer may require and schedule a preconstruction conference with the holder prior to the holder's commencing construction and/or surface disturbing activities on the right-of-way.
- 2. The holder shall conduct all activities associated with the operation, and termination of the right-of-way within the authorized limits of the right-of-way.
- 3. Holder shall maintain the right-of-way in a safe, usable condition, as directed by the authorized officer.
- 4. No construction or routine maintenance activities shall be performed during periods when the soil is too wet to adequately support construction equipment. If such equipment creates ruts in excess of four (4) inches deep, the soil shall be deemed too wet to adequately support construction equipment.
- 5. In order to prevent or reduce the chance of introducing noxious weeds, the holder shall monitor and ensure treatment of noxious weed infestations as needed.
- 6. Use of pesticides shall comply with the applicable Federal and state laws. Pesticides shall be used only in accordance with their registered uses and within limitations imposed by the Secretary of the Interior. Prior to the use of pesticides, the holder shall obtain from the authorized officer written approval of a plan showing the type and quantity of material to be used, pest(s) to be controlled, method of application, location of storage and disposal of containers, and any other information deemed necessary by the authorized officer. Emergency use of pesticides shall be approved in writing by the authorized officer prior to such use.
- 7. The holder(s) shall comply with all applicable Federal laws and regulations existing or hereafter enacted or promulgated. In any event, the holder(s) shall comply with the Toxic Substances Control Act of 1976, as amended (15 U.S.C. 2601, et seq.) with regard to any toxic substances that are used, generated by or stored on the right-of-way or on facilities authorized under this right-of-way grant. (See 40 CFR, Part 702-799 and especially, provisions on polychlorinated biphenyls, 40 CFR 761.1-761.193.) Additionally, any release of toxic substances (leaks, spills, etc.) in excess of the reportable quantity established by 40 CFR, Part 117 shall be reported as required by the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980, Section 102b. A copy of any report required or requested by any Federal agency or State government as a

result of a reportable release or spill of any toxic substances shall be furnished to the authorized officer concurrent with the filing of the reports to the involved Federal agency or State government.

- 8. The holder is responsible for informing all persons in the area who are associated with this project that they shall be subject to prosecution for disturbing historic or archaeological sites, or for collecting artifacts.
- 9. The holder shall immediately bring to the attention of the Authorized Officer any and all antiquities, or other objects of historic, paleontological, or scientific interest including but not limited to, historic or prehistoric ruins or artifacts DISCOVERED as a result of operations under this authorization (16 U.S.C. 470.-3, 36 CFR 800.112).
- 10. The holder shall immediately suspend all activities in the area of the object and shall leave such discoveries intact until written approval to proceed is obtained from the Authorized Officer. Approval to proceed shall be based upon evaluation of the object(s). Evaluation shall be by a qualified professional selected by the Authorized Officer from a Federal agency insofar as practicable (BLM Manual 8142.06E). When not practicable, the holder shall bear the cost of the services of a non-Federal professional.

Within five working days the Authorized Officer shall inform the holder as to:

- o whether the materials appear eligible for the National Register of Historic Places;
- o the mitigation measures the holder shall likely have to undertake before the site can be used (assuming in situ preservation is not necessary); and,
- a timeframe for the Authorized Officer to complete an expedited review under 36
 CFR 800.11 to confirm, through the State Historic Preservation Officer, that the findings of the Authorized Officer are correct and that mitigation is appropriate.

If the holder wishes, at any time, to relocate activities to avoid the expense of mitigation and/or the delays associated with this process, the Authorized Officer shall assume responsibility for whatever recordation and stabilization of the exposed materials may be required. Otherwise, the holder shall be responsible for mitigation costs. The Authorized Officer shall provide technical and procedural guidelines for the conduct of mitigation. Upon verification from the Authorized Officer that the required mitigation has been completed, the holder shall then be allowed to resume construction.

Antiquities, historic, prehistoric ruins, paleontological or objects of scientific interest that are outside of the authorization boundaries but directly associated with the impacted resource shall also be included in this evaluation and/or mitigation.

Antiquities, historic, prehistoric ruins, paleontological or objects of scientific interest, identified or unidentified, that are outside of the authorization and not associated with the resource within the authorization shall also be protected. Impacts that occur to such resources, that are related to the authorizations activities, shall be mitigated at the holder's cost.

- 11. Pursuant to 43 CFR 10.4(g), the holder of this authorization must notify the authorized officer, by telephone, with written confirmation, immediately upon the discovery of human remains, funerary items, sacred objects, or objects of cultural patrimony. Further, pursuant to 43 CFR 10.4 (c) and (d), you must stop activities in the vicinity of the discovery and protect it for 30 days or until notified to proceed by the authorized officer.
- 12. If paleontological materials (fossils) are discovered during surface disturbing activities, the operator is to immediately stop activities that might further disturb such materials and contact the authorized officer. The operator and the authorized officer shall consult and determine the best option for avoiding or mitigating the paleontological site.
- 13. One month prior to termination of the right-of-way, the holder shall contact the authorized officer to arrange a joint inspection of the right-of-way. This inspection shall be held to agree to an acceptable termination (and rehabilitation) plan. This plan shall include, but is not limited to, removal of facilities, drainage structures, or surface material, recontouring, topsoiling, or seeding. The authorized officer must approve the plan in writing prior to the holder's commencement of any termination activities.